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SUBJ: GOB AIDE MEMOIRE ON USG MODIFICATION OF TEXTILE
AGREEMENTS

REF: BRASILIA 2066

1. ON MARCH 17, AT THE END OF A MEETING ON OTHER TOPICS,
COUNSELOR ALVARO ALENCAR, CHIEF, FONMIN'S TRADE POLICY
DIVISION, GAVE ECONOFF AN AIDE MEMOIRE WHICH SUMMARIZED
THE POINTS HE HAD MADE ORALLY ON MARCH 15 IN DISCUSSING
THE EMBASSY'S AIDE MEMOIRE (REF) WHICH ADVISED THE GOB
THAT THE USG HAD INCLUDED CERTAIN ITEMS OF LEATHER
APPAREL UNDER THE BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENTS.

2. FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF AIDE MEMOIRE:
BEGIN TRANSLATION: WITH REFERENCE TO THE AIDE MEMOIRE
OF MARCH 11 FROM THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA CONCERNING THE TREATMENT OF TEXTILE PRODUCTS,
THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THAT THE MEASURE
DESCRIBED THERIN IS NOT COMPATIBLE WITH THE AGREEMENTS
CONCERNING EXPORTS OF ARTIFICIAL FIBER AND COTTON TEXTILES
EFFECTED BETWEEN BRAZIL AND THE U.S. BY AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES
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ON APRIL 22, 1976.

THIS INCOMPATIBILITY STEMS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

A) THE INCLUSION OF PRODUCTS IN THE CATEGORIES
COVERED BY THE ABOVE AGREEMENTS ON THE BASIS OF THE "CHIEF
WEIGHT" CRITERION CONTRARY TO ARTICLE 9 OF THE AGREEMENT ON
COTTON TEXTILES WHICH STIPULATES THAT THE APPLICABLE CRITERION

IS "CHIEF VALUE", AS USED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT;

B) THIS CHANGE OF CRITERION WOULD REQUIRE A REVISION
OF ARTICLE 9, AND BOTH AGREEMENTS INCLUDE THE REQUIREMENT THAT
REVISIONS OF THE TEXTS SHOULD BE THE OBJECT OF CONSULTATIONS
BASED ON THE PROPOSALS OF THE INTERESTED GOVERNMENT. ITAMARATY
(FOREIGN MINISTRY) CONCLUDES, THEREFORE, THAT SUCH CONSULTATIONS
WILL BE HELD. END TRANSLATION.
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